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containing the results of the review. The Commission, upon determining that the report satisfies the requirements of this paragraph, shall approve the report, with any comments it may choose to make, and submit it with any such comments to the Postal Service, the Office of Personnel Management, and Congress.

"(2) RECONSIDERATION.—Upon receiving the report under paragraph (1), the Office of Personnel Management shall reconsider its determination or redetermination in light of such report, and shall make any appropriate adjustments. The Office shall submit a report containing the results of its reconsideration to the Commission, the Postal Service, and Congress."

#### §8910. Studies, reports, and audits

- (a) The Office of Personnel Management shall make a continuing study of the operation and administration of this chapter, including surveys and reports on health benefits plans available to employees and on the experience of the plans.
- (b) Each contract entered into under section 8902 of this title shall contain provisions requiring carriers to—
  - (1) furnish such reasonable reports as the Office determines to be necessary to enable it to carry out its functions under this chapter; and
  - (2) permit the Office and representatives of the Government Accountability Office to examine records of the carriers as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.
- (c) Each Government agency shall keep such records, make such certifications, and furnish the Office with such information and reports as may be necessary to enable the Office to carry out its functions under this chapter.
- (d) The Office, in consultation with the Department of Health and Human Services, shall develop and implement a system through which the carrier for an approved health benefits plan described by section 8903 or 8903a will be able to identify those annuitants or other individuals covered by such plan who are entitled to benefits under part A or B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act in order to ensure that payments under coordination of benefits with Medicare do not exceed the statutory maximums which physicians may charge Medicare enrollees.

(Pub. L. 89–554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 606; Pub. L. 95–454, title IX, 906(a)(2), (3), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1224; Pub. L. 101–508, title VII, 7002(d), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388–330; Pub. L. 108–271, 80(b), July 7, 2004, 118 Stat. 814.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Derivation | U.S. Code      | Revised Statutes and<br>Statutes at Large             |
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|            | 5 U.S.C. 3010. | Sept. 28, 1959, Pub. L. 86–382,<br>§11, 73 Stat. 716. |

In subsection (b), the word "agency" is substituted for "department, agency, and independent establishment".

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Social Security Act, referred to in subsec. (d), is act Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, 49 Stat. 620, as amended. Parts

A and B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act are classified generally to parts A (§1395c et seq.) and B (§1395j et seq.), respectively, of subchapter XVIII of chapter 7 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 1305 of Title 42 and Tables.

#### AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 108–271 substituted "Government Accountability Office" for "General Accounting Office".

1990—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 101–508 added subsec. (d). 1978—Subsecs. (a) to (c). Pub. L. 95–454 substituted "Office of Personnel Management" for "Civil Service Commission" and "Office" for "Commission" wherever

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1990 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 101-508 applicable with respect to contract years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 1991, see section 7002(g) of Pub. L. 101-508, set out as a note under section 8902 of this title.

#### Effective Date of 1978 Amendment

Amendment by Pub. L. 95–454 effective 90 days after Oct. 13, 1978, see section 907 of Pub. L. 95–454, set out as a note under section 1101 of this title.

#### §8911. Advisory committee

The Director of the Office of Personnel Management shall appoint a committee composed of five members, who serve without pay, to advise the Office regarding matters of concern to employees under this chapter. Each member of the committee shall be an employee enrolled under this chapter or an elected official of an employee organization.

(Pub. L. 89–554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 607; Pub. L. 95–454, title IX, §906(a)(1), (4), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1224, 1225.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Derivation | U.S. Code      | Revised Statutes and<br>Statutes at Large             |
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|            | 5 U.S.C. 3012. | Sept. 28, 1959, Pub. L. 86–382,<br>§13, 73 Stat. 716. |

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

#### AMENDMENTS

1978—Pub. L. 95–454 substituted "Director of the Office of Personnel Management" for "Chairman of the Civil Service Commission" and "Office" for "Commission".

# EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95–454 effective 90 days after Oct. 13, 1978, see section 907 of Pub. L. 95–454, set out as a note under section 1101 of this title.

## TERMINATION OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Advisory committees in existence on Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period following Jan. 5, 1973, unless, in the case of a committee established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such committee is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a committee established by the Congress, its duration is otherwise provided by law. See section 14 of Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 776, set out in the Appendix to this title.

# §8912. Jurisdiction of courts

The district courts of the United States have original jurisdiction, concurrent with the

United States Court of Federal Claims, of a civil action or claim against the United States founded on this chapter.

(Pub. L. 89–554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 607; Pub. L. 97–164, title I, §160(a)(3), Apr. 2, 1982, 96 Stat. 48; Pub. L. 102–572, title IX, §902(b)(1), Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4516.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Derivation | U.S. Code      | Revised Statutes and<br>Statutes at Large             |
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|            | 5 U.S.C. 3014. | Sept. 28, 1959, Pub. L. 86–382,<br>§15, 73 Stat. 716. |

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

#### AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102–572 substituted "United States Court of Federal Claims" for "United States Claims Court".

1982—Pub. L. 97-164 substituted "United States Claims Court" for "Court of Claims".

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1992 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-572 effective Oct. 29, 1992, see section 911 of Pub. L. 102-572, set out as a note under section 171 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1982 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 97–164 effective Oct. 1, 1982, see section 402 of Pub. L. 97–164, set out as a note under section 171 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure

## §8913. Regulations

- (a) The Office of Personnel Management may prescribe regulations necessary to carry out this chapter.
- (b) The regulations of the Office may prescribe the time at which and the manner and conditions under which an employee is eligible to enroll in an approved health benefits plan described by section 8903 or 8903a of this title. The regulations may exclude an employee on the basis of the nature and type of his employment or conditions pertaining to it, such as short-term appointment, seasonal or intermittent employment, and employment of like nature. The Office may not exclude—
  - (1) an employee or group of employees solely on the basis of the hazardous nature of employment;
  - (2) a teacher in the employ of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia, whose pay is fixed by section 1501 of title 31, District of Columbia Code, on the basis of the fact that the teacher is serving under a temporary appointment if the teacher has been so employed by the Board for a period or periods totaling not less than two school years:
  - (3) an employee who is occupying a position on a part-time career employment basis (as defined in section 3401(2) of this title); or
  - (4) an employee who is employed on a temporary basis and is eligible under section 8906a(a).
- (c) The regulations of the Office shall provide for the beginning and ending dates of coverage of employees, annuitants, members of their fam-

ilies, and former spouses under health benefits plans. The regulations may permit the coverage to continue, exclusive of the temporary extension of coverage described by section 8902(g) of this title, until the end of the pay period in which an employee is separated from the service, or until the end of the month in which an annuitant or former spouse ceases to be entitled to annuity, and in case of the death of an employee or annuitant, may permit a temporary extension of the coverage of members of his family for not to exceed 90 days.

(d) The Secretary of Agriculture shall prescribe regulations to effect the application and operation of this chapter to an individual named by section 8901(1)(H) of this title.

(Pub. L. 89-554, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 607; Pub. L. 95-437, §4(c)(1), Oct. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 1058; Pub. L. 95-454, title IX, §906(a)(2), (3), (c)(2)(F), (H), Oct. 13, 1978, 92 Stat. 1224, 1227; Pub. L. 98-615, §3(7), Nov. 8, 1984, 98 Stat. 3204; Pub. L. 99-53, §2(a), June 17, 1985, 99 Stat. 94; Pub. L. 100-654, title III, §301(c), Nov. 14, 1988, 102 Stat. 3846.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

| Derivation | U.S. Code  | Revised Statutes and<br>Statutes at Large   |
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| (a)<br>(b) | 5 U.S.C. 3009(a). 5 U.S.C. 3002(a) (words between 1st and 4th commas of 1st sentence, and 2d sentence), (f) (words between 1st | Sept. 28, 1959, Pub. L. 86–382,<br>§10(a), 73 Stat. 715.<br>Sept. 28, 1959, Pub. L. 86–382,<br>§3(a) (words between 1st<br>and 4th commas of 1st<br>sentence, and 2d sen-<br>tence), 73 Stat. 710.<br>July 1, 1960, Pub. L. 86–568, |
|            | and 2d commas of<br>1st sentence).   | §115(d) "(f) (words between 1st and 2d commas of 1st sentence)", 74 Stat. 303. Oct. 6, 1964, Pub. L. 88-631,  |
| (e)        | 5 U.S.C. 3009(b).  | §1, 78 Stat. 1007.<br>Sept. 28, 1959, Pub. L. 86–382,<br>§10(b), 73 Stat. 715.  |
| (d)        | 5 U.S.C. 3002(f) (2d sentence).  | July 1, 1960, Pub. L. 86–568,<br>§115(d) "(f) (2d sentence)",<br>74 Stat. 303.  |

In subsection (b)(2), the words "section 1501 of title 31, District of Columbia Code" are substituted for "section 1 of the District of Columbia Teachers' Salary Act of 1955 (69 Stat. 521), as amended (sec. 31–1501, D.C. Code, 1961 edition)".

Standard changes are made to conform with the definitions applicable and the style of this title as outlined in the preface to the report.

### AMENDMENTS

1988—Subsec. (b)(4). Pub. L. 100–654 added par. (4).

1985—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 99-53 inserted reference to section 8903a of this title.

1984—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 98-615, §3(7), substituted "employees, annuitants, members of their families, and former spouses" for "employees and annuitants and members of their families", and "in which an annuitant or former spouse" for "in which an annuitant".

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1978—Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 95–454, §906(a)(2), (3), substituted "Office of Personnel Management" for "Civil Service Commission" and "Office" for "Commission" wherever appearing

sion'' wherever appearing. Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 95–454, 906(c)(2)(F), (H), substituted ''3401'' for ''3391''.

Pub. L. 95–437 added par. (3).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 95–454, §906(a)(3), substituted "Office" for "Commission".

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-654 effective 120 days after Nov. 14, 1988, see section 301(d) of Pub. L. 100-654, set